



## **ANDREWS INTERNATIONAL** **HOLLYWOOD/SUNSET BID PATROL**

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### **SUMMARY FOR 01-25-10 THROUGH 03-07-10**

This report takes us through 03-07-10. We continue our strategy for improving the quality of life in the BID areas. This involves enforcement, outreach to the homeless, business, residential community and tourists, and our continued commitment to coordinate our efforts with every agency, public and private, and any individual that shares our goal. To this end, we will continue to attend and host a variety of meetings which include the LAPD, City Attorney's Office, businesses, and a host of Outreach Agencies.

During this period, we met with the three local Los Angeles Fire Stations in our area and met with area hospitals. We re-introduced ourselves. We also discussed our Taser policy. We wished to get input from these groups as they will be involved in any Taser deployment that we have.

We have noticed some trends which we have spoken about in the past. One involves radio calls for service. By this date in 2007 we had handled 251 calls for service. In 2008 the total was 389. In 2009 it increased to 601. We have responded to 789 calls so far this year. By contrast, our arrest totals have followed an opposite track. In 2007, as of this date we made 341 arrests. In 2008 the total was 331. In 2009 the total was 278. This year to date we have made 179 arrests.

As you can see, our radio call numbers continue to increase at a rapid pace. This will be a major issue for future allocation of resources. The arrest totals are less worrisome, as crime has steadily dropped in our areas. This would indicate that there are actually less criminals present for us to apprehend. As long as crime continues to drop, we welcome these lesser arrest totals.

### **EVENTS OF INTEREST:**

On 01-31-10 we assisted the LAPD and LAFD on an incident that occurred at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. 'Cat Woman' (Lydia) pepper sprayed a man she said was trying to touch her. She also accidentally sprayed three teen age girls. Paramedics treated the girls at the scene.



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Kushmart news. We have learned that Kushmart moved a couple of weeks ago. They are now at 6430 Selma. They share the building with the Berkley Clinic. They advertise weight loss and body solutions. It would be interesting to know if the clinic writes prescriptions for Kushmart.

On 02-02-10, we contacted a group of five male subjects who were sitting on the sidewalk with their dogs and cat. They are part of a group known as the 'Pickle People'. There are about 15 to 20 members of both sexes and different ethnicities. They were asked to leave and four complied. The fifth (Nicolas) was very hostile and he refused to leave. He was arrested for blocking the sidewalk. We put this arrest in the category of maintaining civility on our sidewalks.

We now receive daily calls regarding this group from locations such as McDonalds, 7-11, the Greyhound Station, etc. We had to use force during the arrest of Justin on 01-03-10. He was blocking the sidewalk and refused to leave. He struggled with our Officers, but was taken into custody without injury.

We have received numerous threats from the group. On 01-25-10 we arrested group member Bankaj for blocking the sidewalk at 1401 Cole at about 6:30 A.M. He was sleeping with a group there, but refused to leave the sidewalk. We arrested him later in the day after receiving a call from the Cantina (6451 Hollywood Blvd.) as he was refusing to pay his bill.

On 02-11-10, at about 3:00 P.M., Thirty-six year old Darius E. Powell jumped from the fifth floor of the Hollywood and Highland complex located at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. He was pronounced dead by Paramedics at the scene. Andrews Security Officers initially talked the victim off the ledge. As they led him away, he suddenly bolted from them, ran to the edge, and jumped. The company is providing counseling for the involved Officers.

On 02-19-10, Larry Webster of the City Attorney's office attended our briefing. Kerry Morrison was there as well. Larry addressed sidewalk enforcement issues and we had a lengthy question and answer period. He was with us for almost an hour and a half. The Officers asked many pertinent questions.



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On 02-20-10, one of our Officers (Rick Lopez) was struck by a vehicle as he was driving a T-3 at Sunset and Gower. He was not injured. The driver of the car admitted to causing the accident. LAPD was called and all necessary Andrews's reports were completed. Vehicle damage consisted of paint transfer only.

On 02-23-10, our Officers were patrolling at the Greyhound Station when they were approached by a man. He said he was a thirty year resident of the area and had managed several area apartment buildings. He thanked the Officers and the BID for the 180 degree turnaround he has seen in the area in the last ten years.

We did not work on Sunday (03-07-10) as our Office was being used for the Academy Awards. As a result, we had extra manpower on Friday and Saturday. This allowed us to utilize our SUV's, T-3's, bicycles, and foot patrols.

### **MEETINGS ATTENDED:**

- 1) 01-26-10 Citizen Police Advisory Board
- 2) 01-26-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 3) 01-28-10 Joint security Committee Meeting
- 4) 02-02-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 5) 02-04-10 H+H Retail Meeting
- 6) 02-09-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 7) 02-16-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting
- 8) 02-17-10 Street Issues Task Force Meeting
- 9) 02-18-10 HBID Board Meeting
- 10) 02-18-10 H+H Retail Meeting
- 11) 02-19-10 Larry Webster BID Security Briefing
- 12) 02-23-10 Citizen Police Advisory Board
- 13) 02-25-10 H+H Retail Meeting
- 14) 03-02-10 LAPD Crime Control Meeting

### **OUTREACH:**

On 01-30-10, our Officers found John in the bushes at 1747 N. Cahuenga. He was so inebriated that he could not stand. We called Paramedics and RA 27 responded and took him to the hospital.



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On 01-31-10, our Officers found a man down at 6565 Hollywood Blvd. He was non-responsive so we called Paramedics. RA 27 and Engine 827 responded and treated the man at the scene.

On 02-01-10, our Officers contacted Carlos who was sleeping just outside the Thai Massage located at 5909 Hollywood Blvd. We called Paramedics as we were unable to rouse him. The Paramedics woke Carlos who became enraged. They called LAPD for back-up. We kept the peace until they arrived and took Walker to the hospital.

On 02-01-10, I received a call from PATH Counselor/BID Patrol Officer Courtney Kanagi. The call was a follow-up regarding long time homeless woman Carol Seitz. On 01-20-10, we had assisted in getting Carol to the hospital for much needed medical treatment. When we found her on that date, her fingers were badly swollen and discolored.

Courtney advised that Carol was being discharged from the hospital today. She had multiple fingers amputated from both hands. Courtney had requested a psychological evaluation of Carol and the hospital advised that she suffered from schizophrenia. Courtney also requested that Carol be sent to the Weingart Center for recuperative care that could last for several weeks.

On 02-05-10, we handled a rare radio call from the United Methodist Church located at 6817 Franklin. The call was of a man down. We contacted Jarrett who was not injured. He was very angry because he was wet and homeless. We gave him referral information and he agreed to leave the location. Church maintenance and security were appreciative of our help.

On 02-06-10, we received a radio call from Stephanie at 6451 Hollywood Blvd. She was frightened as a man was following her on a bicycle. Several area businessmen also saw the man following her. We could not locate the man, but did give Stephanie a ride to her home at 1745 Wilcox.

On 02-08-10, we received a call from security at 7021 Hollywood Blvd. regarding a person who was causing a disturbance and refusing to leave. Upon arrival our Officers contacted Jackie who we learned was a homeless person, new to Hollywood. Our Officers saw that Jackie had hives or welts covering his body. They suggested he go to the free clinic on Gower, but he said he could not walk. We then called Paramedics. Unit 876 responded and transported Jackie to the hospital.



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On 02-09-10, our early morning Officers found long time homeless David in very bad condition. They called his assigned Veteran's Administration case worker who was unable to respond. Our Officers then called PATH Counselor and part time BID Officer Courtney Kanagi and told her of the situation. She advised that she would respond with her team later in the day to check on David.

Our Officers again contacted David at 1623 Ivar at about 6:00 P.M. At this time he was unable to hold his head up. His foot was wrapped in a dirty rag and puss was dripping from the wound. There were also maggots dropping from his pants. Path Counselors Courtney and Reggie arrived and called for Paramedics. Unit RA41 and Ra 42 responded.

Three of our teams were at the scene. David refused to go with the Paramedics saying that the VA was picking him up the next day. This is a ruse that he often uses to avoid accepting medical help. Our Officers and the PATH Counselors were able to convince the Paramedics that David was not being honest. Paramedics Wong, Galleano, Barnett, and Sarabia all concurred that David was in dire need of both medical and psychological attention. They then took him to the Kaiser hospital.

On 02-17-10, we received a call from LAPD Officers who had the unpleasant task of evicting 77 year old Winifred from the Hollywood Guest Inn located at 6700 Sunset Blvd. The eviction was for non-payment and she had no more money. The Officers felt badly about leaving her on the street, but had no available resources to help her. They then called us. We sent Officers and a Supervisor to the scene. We then contacted Get Love who agreed to help. They arrived in a van so that they could transport her belongings from the location. They then took from the scene.

On 02-19-10, our Officers found a woman down on the ground at 6356 Hollywood Blvd. She was experiencing medical problems and we called Paramedics. RA 27 responded and took her to the hospital.

On 02-20-10, our Officers assisted a Japanese tourist who was struck by a car as he was riding a bike at Hollywood and Gower. Paramedics responded and took him to the hospital.

On 02-23-10, our Officers contacted Ordric at Selma and El Centro. He was homeless and in need of shelter and clothing. We called



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PATH Counselor Courtney Kanagi who responded with her team. They took him to a shelter in Glendale.

On 02-24-10, our Officers contacted Kristine who was walking barefoot at 1717 Wilcox. She was homeless and had no shoes. The officers asked her to meet them later at the Get Love Food line, where shoes were provided by Sonny.

On 02-24-10, our officers found a female on the ground at 6054 Yucca. She was a possible over dose victim. Paramedics were called and RA 27 responded and took her to the hospital.

On 02-28-10, we received a radio call of a man down at the Chinese Theater (6925 Hollywood Blvd.). We responded and found an extremely drunk Marcus on the ground. We called Paramedics and RA 27 responded and took him to the hospital.

On 03-04-10, we received a radio call of a man in a wheelchair causing a disturbance at 1413 Vine. He was pan handling very aggressively. Our Officers discovered that the man was a run away from the Hollywood Community Hospital. We contacted staff who responded and took him back to his bed.

On 03-05-10, our Officers found a woman who had possibly overdosed on drugs at 6565 Hollywood Blvd. LAPD Paramedics RA27 responded and took her to the hospital.

On 03-06-10, we received a radio call of a possible mental patient at 1310 Vine (Paragon Cleaners). We contacted Michael who was sitting in the doorway. He had a hospital wristband on. We called the Hollywood Community Hospital who sent a nurse. We then gave Michael and the nurse a ride back to the hospital.

### **ENFORCEMENT:**

In the Hollywood BID we have made a total of 134 arrests. Sixty two were for drinking in public, 13 for urinating in public, 11 for misdemeanor drugs, 7 for trespass, 10 for illegal vending, 3 for battery, 6 for blocking the sidewalk, 4 for theft, 5 for miscellaneous misdemeanors, and 13 for felonies. We also made 158 homeless referrals, assisted 93 agencies, provided extra patrol to 757 locations, assisted 782 citizens, handled 529 radio calls for service and made 674 business contacts.





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In the Sunset BID, we have made a total of 45 arrests. Thirty were for drinking in public, 7 for urinating in public, 1 for misdemeanor drugs, 1 for blocking the sidewalk, 1 for theft, 1 for vandalism, and 4 for felonies. We also made 59 homeless referrals, assisted 38 agencies, provided extra patrol to 266 locations, assisted 571 citizens, handled 260 radio calls for service, and made 210 business contacts.

The combined totals for both BIDS are 179 arrests. Ninety two for drinking in public, 20 for urinating in public, 12 for misdemeanor drugs, 7 for trespass, 10 for illegal vending, 3 for battery, 7 for blocking the sidewalk, 5 for theft, 1 for vandalism, 5 for miscellaneous misdemeanors and 17 for felonies. We also made a combined total of 217 homeless referrals, assisted 131 agencies, provided extra patrol to 1023 locations, assisted 1353 citizens, handled 789 radio calls for service, and made 884 business contacts.

### **NOTED ARRESTS:**

On 01-25-10, we were advised of an assault at the Hollywood Wax Museum located at 6767 Hollywood Blvd. We learned that the owner had been struck in the face by a Tour salesman. The suspect used his wooden clip board as a weapon. We placed the salesman under arrest, although he was later released by LAPD.

On 01-25-10, we received a call to respond to the McDonalds located at 1413 Vine regarding a subject refusing to leave. He had been at the location for 2 hours and was sleeping with his head on a table top. When our Officers asked him to leave, he became extremely angry. He shouted profanities at our Officers and McDonalds employees.

The suspect (Simeon) was again asked to leave. He clenched his fists and advanced on one of our Officers. He was warned that he would be pepper sprayed if he did not stop. He continued his attack and pepper spray was used. We took him into custody without injury. LAPD responded and took custody. Thompson began crying when they arrived. LAPD advised that the suspect was on Parole and that he would be violated as a result of his behavior.

On 01-28-10, we received a call from Security at the Galaxy located at 7021 Hollywood Blvd. The female guard had been threatened with bodily harm by a suspect named Terence. He shouted profanities at her and tried to punch her in the face. He then left saying that he was from the 'hood', and that he would come back to 'F' her up.



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We took the victim in our vehicle and went in search of the suspect. We located him at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. We then assisted the guard in making a Private Person's Arrest.

Williams then threatened our Officers and tried to spit on the guard. The suspect was charged with felony criminal threats.

On 02-02-10, we contacted a group of five male subjects who were sitting on the sidewalk with their dogs and cat. This group is known as the 'Pickle People'. There are about 10 to 12 members of both sexes and different ethnicities. They were asked to leave

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Bankai was extremely hostile. Our Officers placed him under arrest for defrauding an inn keeper. He was very profane and threatened to kill our officers. Felony threat charges were filed due to the severity of his threats.

On 02-03-10, our Officers arrested Jonathon for drinking in public in the alley to the rear of Popeye's Chicken at 6385 Hollywood Blvd. We then learned that he had an outstanding No Bail Felony warrant for Terrorist Threats.

On 02-03-10, we received a radio call of an assault in front of 6801 Hollywood Blvd. Our Officers contacted the victim (David). He was in a Darth Vader costume and was posing for pictures for tourists in return for tips.

Darth said that he walked past the suspect and saw that he was drinking from a bottle of alcohol. He then felt a sharp pain to his back and realized that he had been kicked. He turned around and the





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suspect (Burrell) punched him about six times. Darth said he tried to block the blows with his plastic light saber, but the suspect broke the weapon. His headgear was knocked off. He grabbed the suspect and they both fell to the ground. The suspect then got up and walked away.

Assistant Security Director used the H+H camera system to locate the suspect who was still in the area. We were then able to place the suspect under arrest for assault.

On 02-05-10, we contacted Shane and his friend Marvin due to their boisterous behavior at 6801 Hollywood Blvd. We arrested both for drinking in public. We then learned that Shane was from New Hampshire and that he had an outstanding felony warrant. LAPD took custody.

On 02-10-10, we received a radio call of a man causing a disturbance at Cahuenga Video located at 1651 Cahuenga. When we arrived we learned that the suspect had attempted to commit a robbery and had fled the scene. Our teams responded. They found the suspect

(Lang) hiding at the Hollywood Arts School located at 1644 Wilcox. He was identified by the victim.

On 02-13-10, our Officers saw Louis drinking alcohol in public at 1700 Cahuenga. When they tried to arrest him he shouted obscenities and shoved Sgt. Patton and Officer Sterling. He also kicked the Officers. He was taken into custody with no injuries and booked for drinking and assault.

On 02-13-10, a parking attendant ran into our Office saying that an LAPD Sgt. was requesting that we back him up as he was trying to arrest three suspects for gambling. He was just north of our office. We responded and stood by until additional LAPD Officers arrived. All three suspects were arrested.

On 02-14-10, our Officers received a call to respond to 7021 Hollywood Blvd. to assist the security guard with a suspect urinating in public. The suspect had urinated in a planter near some outdoor lunch tables. Our Officers assisted with the arrest of Benjamin. He was transported to the LAPD Hollywood Station where it was determined that he was under the influence of narcotics. He was then stripped searched by LAPD and baggies containing Adderall were recovered from his rectum. This drug is a powerful blend of 4 amphetamines and is a felony to possess.



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We further learned that the suspect had arrived earlier today on a flight from South Carolina. He was booked per 11350 H+S.

On 02-15-10, our Officers arrested Crystal for a felony grand theft (487 PC) at Prestige Jewelry located at 6652 Hollywood Blvd. We called LAPD who responded and took custody of the suspect.

On 02-18-10, we arrested Kevin for drinking in public at 6800 Hawthorn. A check of his criminal record revealed numerous arrests for robbery. He is on probation at this time.

On 02-24-10, we received a radio call of a man passed out in his car in the parking lot of Pla Boy Liquors located at 6435 Yucca. He had driven in, parked, and the passed out. Our Officers were unable to wake Robert. They called Paramedics, but he refused treatment. He then tried to drive away from the scene. He appeared to be extremely intoxicated, so our officers called LAPD fearing that he would injure himself or others.

LAPD arrived and took the suspect into custody for being drunk in public. The suspect had a bag containing several cellular phones. One of the phones rang and Officer Urena answered it. The caller told the Officer that this was his phone and that it had been stolen. The suspect was then charged with the felony of possession of stolen property.

On 02-26-10, our Officers arrested Christopher for drinking in public at 6424 Yucca. They then learned that he was on Parole for robbery.

On 02-27-10, our Officers arrested Jonathon for aggressive solicitation in the street at 1787 Highland. They then learned that he had given a fake name and had 2 outstanding felony and 1 misdemeanor warrant.

On 03-01-10, our Officers arrested John at 1601 Cahuenga (Spotlight Bar) for possession of drug paraphernalia. We then discovered that he was also in possession of methamphetamine. He was charged with the felony.

On 03-03-10, our Officers arrested Ricky for drinking in public at 6505 Sunset Blvd. Our Officers became very suspicious of Ricky and believed that he was lying about his identity. They took their concerns to the LAPD Watch Commander who told them to follow up and investigate further.



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Our Officers questioned the suspect at length and told him the consequences of continuing to lie. He then told them that his real name is Brian. We then learned that he is a PAL (Parolee at Large). He was on Parole for second degree murder and had violated his parole. He was listed as armed and dangerous. He was then booked for the felony violation.

On 03-03-10, our Officers arrested a juvenile named Preston as he was smoking marijuana through a ball point pen cap. We contacted LAPD Juvenile Officers Mendoza and Kitscher who cited him for the offense and then took him to his group home in Granada Hills where he was released to the staff.

On 03-05-10, we arrested Michael for urinating in public at 5857 Sunset Blvd. We then learned that he had an outstanding warrant for indecent exposure.

### **DEPLOYMENT:**

We continued our basic deployment of covering 6:00 A.M to 8:00 P.M. on Monday through Saturday. We cover 10:00 A.M. until 6:00 P.M. on Sunday.

### **TRAINING UPDATE:**

During this period, our Officers had live firearms training at our Burbank Training Facility. Our Officers also received training and testing on topics such as Work Ethics, Blood Pathogens, Illegal Vending, and Legal Update.



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